

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS27479 / S1268

This legislation changes the deadline for anyone filing as a write-in candidate in the primary, special, and general elections. The current deadline for all partisan offices is 28 days prior to the election and the deadline for nonpartisan offices is the seventh Friday prior to the election. This legislation changes both deadlines to the eighth Friday prior to the election. This legislation also requires filing fees for all individuals that filing with the Secretary of State's office to pay the corresponding filing fee. Lastly, this legislation allows the Secretary of State's office to design ballots without a write-in line if there has been no declaration.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the general fund. There could be a slight savings to counties.

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